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REPEAT DRUG DEALER SENTENCED TO SIGNIFICANT TIME

Revolving Door to Be Closed to Defendant for 10 Years

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Acting United States Attorney Lawrence G. Brown announced today that United States District Judge Morrison C. England sentenced DAVID BROWN Jr., 28, of Sacramento, to 10 years in prison to be followed by eight years of supervised release for possession with intent to distribute at least five grams of cocaine base (crack cocaine) after a prior felony drug conviction.

This is the product of an investigation by the Problem Oriented Police (POP) officers of the Sacramento Police Department.

According to Assistant United States Attorneys Anne Pings and Jean Hobler, who prosecuted the case, the Sacramento Police Department POP officers had known BROWN to be a persistent drug dealer in the Oak Park neighborhood. On January 7, 2008, the Oak Park POP officers were patrolling at the intersection of 8th Avenue and San Jose Way. When BROWN saw the officers, he threw down a bag containing over 40 grams of crack cocaine.

At the time of his arrest, BROWN was on parole and had been convicted three times of "possession/purchase of cocaine base for sale" in San Mateo County (1998) and in Sacramento County (1998, 2003). Additionally, in 2006, he was convicted of the felony offense of "possession of a controlled substance" in Sacramento County.

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